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**REMARKS**

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Greetings:

These remarks are submitted with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR §1.114, and with an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR §1.97(b)(4). A Notice of Allowance was mailed on May 2, 2006.

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**REMARKS:**

Applicant appreciates the time and care the examiner has taken in examining the application.

Receipt of the Notice of Allowance mailed May 2, 2006 is acknowledged.

No amendments are made herein. The claims remain pending as previously amended in the response filed March 27, 2006 and as allowed on May 2, 2006.

The information disclosure statement submitted herewith contains Patent Publication No. JP2000-86069A with its corresponding Patent Abstract of Japan containing an English translation of the abstract. Consideration thereof is requested.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for prompt allowance; and that all of the objections and requirements previously raised have been met. Early, favorable treatment of this application is requested.

**Extension Request and Fee Authorization.** Enclosed is our firm's check for \$790.00 covering the RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional required fees or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to the Deposit Account No. 50-0305 of Chapman and Cutler LLP, including fees for any necessary extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 for filing this communication, such extension being hereby requested.